

### **REMARKS**

The *Ex parte Quayle* Office Action dated June 22, 2004, has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments and the following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended. No new matter is presented. It is noted that this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters and that prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with U.S. patent practice under *Ex parte Quayle*.

The Abstract of the Disclosure was objected to for exceeding 150 words and for minor informalities. In response to the Office Action, the Abstract has been amended. Applicants respectfully submit that the Abstract is now in compliance with US patent practice, and therefore in condition for allowance.


The Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for allowing the claims. In that the claims are allowed and the noted informalities have been corrected, Applicants respectfully submit that the conditions of the *Ex parte Quayle* Office Action have been satisfied and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request the prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowability.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an

extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing Attorney Docket No. 107348-00387.

Respectfully submitted,



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